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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Reissue Application of:

K. OZAWA et al

Serial No.: 10/614,808

Filed: July 9, 2003

For: EXTERNAL STORAGE CONTROL DEVICE AND DATA  
TRANSFER METHOD BETWEEN EXTERNAL STORAGE  
CONTROL DEVICES

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)**  
**UNDER § 1.97 AND § 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop Reissue  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 1, 2005

Sir:

1. This IDS should be considered:

(a) when filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or within three months of the filing date of the National Stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs last;

(b) when filed before the mailing date of either a Final Rejection under § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, whichever occurs first and when 1(a) does not apply. For this purpose, there is included herein either a certification in section 4 below (included when indicated by a marked box), or a fee of \$180.00 (a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed, or if not see section 5 below);

(c) when filed prior to the payment of the Issue Fee, when 1(a)-(b) do not apply, and when a certification is included in section 4 below (included when indicated by a marked box); then the Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) and request(s) consideration of this IDS, and provided herewith is

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2. When 1(a)-(c) do not apply, then it is requested that this IDS be placed in the file.

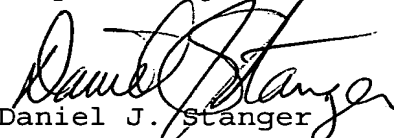
3. Listing of the information submitted is on the attached Form PTO-1449, which forms a part of this IDS. A copy of each listed document is enclosed.

4. If a fee or additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or additional fee that may be required and credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

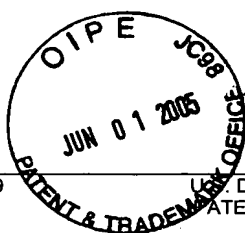
5. No explanation of relevancy is being provided for the documents because each is in the English language and their relevance is as stated in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, copy enclosed.

6. If the PTO determines that part(s) of the required content is inadvertently omitted, then it is requested that the Applicant(s) be given additional time and specific identification of such omission(s) to enable full compliance.

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	AB	5,901,327	5/1999	Ofek		
	AC	3,990,055	11/1976	Henderson et al		
	AD	4,451,884	5/1984	Heath et al		
	AE	5,155,845	10/1992	Beal et al		
	AF	5,235,690	08/1993	Beardsley et al		
	AG	5,247,665	09/1993	Matsuda et al		
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	AR	EMC Corporation "Symmetrix ICDA Family Product Announcement Summary", November 6, 1995 of EMC Corporation, pp. 1-23.
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	AB	5,625,840	04/1997	Numata et al			
	AC	5,644,787	07/1997	Nakamura et al			
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